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- 1. IN COURSE FEBRUARY 14 MEETING WITH DEPPERMSEC ALHAJI ABUBAKAR OF MINISTRY OF FINANCE, EMBOFFS AGAIN RAISED QUESTION OF NIGERIA AIRWAYS' DELINQUENCY AND ASKED ABOUT STATUS FMG ACTION.
- 2. ABUBAKAR SAID THAT MINFIN HAD REVIEWED AND APPROVED MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT DOCUMENTATION OF DEBT SITUATION AND ENDORSED MOT'S REQUEST THAT AS GUARANTOR MINFIN SHOULD MAKE PAYMENTS. ACCORDING ABUBAKAR MINFIN HAS NOW RETURNED FILE TO MOT AND NEXT STEP IS FOR MOT AS MINISTRY RESPONSIBLE FOR NIGERIA AIRWAYS TO PUT CASE TO FEDERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. COMMENT: IN CONVERSATION AT TIME OF BIERMAN VISIT WE INTERPRETED COMMENTS BY ENODIEN OF MINFIN TO MEAN THAT IT WAS UP TO MINFIN TO TAKE MATTER TO FEC (PARA 5 OF REFTEL B) EAI ABUBAKAR SAID THAT THIS WAS TASK OF SUPERVISORY MINISTRY, I.E. MOT.
- 3. WE ARE PURSUING SUBJECT WITH MOT BUT PERMSEC LONGE HAS NOT BEEN AVAILABLE.
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